

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 59th LEGISLATURE - SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN LARRY JENT**, on December 14, 2005 at 10:00 A.M., in Room 172 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Larry Jent, Chairman (D)
Rep. Dee L. Brown, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Veronica Small-Eastman, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Joan Andersen (R)
Rep. Mary Caferro (D)
Rep. Sue Dickenson (D)
Rep. Emelie Eaton (D)
Rep. Robin Hamilton (D)
Rep. Gordon R. Hendrick (R)
Rep. Teresa K. Henry (D)
Rep. Hal Jacobson (D)
Rep. William J. Jones (R)
Rep. Gary MacLaren (R)
Rep. Bruce Malcolm (R)
Rep. Alan Olson (R)
Rep. Bernie Olson (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Sheri Heffelfinger, Legislative Branch
Marion Mood, Committee Secreatary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 2, 12/12/2005
Executive Action: HB 2

HEARING ON HB 2

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:48

REP. VERDELL JACKSON (R), HD 6, opened the hearing on **HB 2**, Expand duties of state administration and veterans' affairs interim committee.5

Proponent's Testimony:

00:13:23 Tammy Rau, Montana Teachers' Retirement System

00:13:59 Melanie Symons, Montana Public Employees' Retirement Administration (MPERA)

00:16:39 Tom Bilodeau, MEA/MFT

00:20:00 Janet Kelly, Director, Department of Administration

EXHIBIT(sth01a01)

00:21:56 Joy Bruck, AARP

EXHIBIT(sth01a02)

00:23:45 Tom Altmaier, MT Retired Educators' Association

EXHIBIT(sth01a03)

00:25:04 Tom Schneider, Montana Public Employees Association

00:30:53 Leo Berry, Association of Montana Retired Public Employees

00:33:10 Margaret Crennen, Retired Teachers Association

00:33:54 Pat Clinch, Montana Retired Firefighters' Association

Opponent's Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:35:10

Closing by Sponsor:

00:57:25

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 2

Note: The committee discussed various aspects of the bill before it was moved.

00:57:36

Motion: **REP. BROWN** moved that **HB 2 DO PASS.**

01:20:41

Discussion:

01:20:54

Motion: REP. BROWN moved CONCEPTUAL AMENDMENT 01.

01:22:54

Discussion:

01:22:58

Motion: REP. BROWN rescinded her motion to move CONCEPTUAL AMENDMENT 01 and introduced revised AMENDMENT HB000201.ASH.

[EXHIBIT](#)(sth01a04)

01:28:20

Discussion:

01:28:33

Chairman Jent called for a short break.

01:34:56

Discussion reconvened.

01:45:19 Sheri Heffelfinger

Motion/Vote: REP. A. Olson moved that AMENDMENT HB000201.ASH BE ADOPTED. Motion carried 15-1 by roll call vote with REP. JONES voting no.

01:47:52

Motion: REP. JACOBSON moved that HB 2 DO PASS AS AMENDED.

01:48:40

Motion: REP. JENT moved that CONCEPTUAL AMENDMENT 02 BE ADOPTED.

01:48:50

Discussion:

01:48:55

Motion/Vote: REP. A. OLSON moved that AMENDMENT 02 BE ADOPTED. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

01:49:12

Motion: REP. A. OLSON moved that HB 2 DO PASS AS AMENDED.

01:49:32

Discussion:

01:49:38

Vote: Motion carried 11-5 by roll call vote with REP. DICKENSON, REP. HAMILTON, REP. JENT, REP. JONES, and REP. B. OLSON voting no.

01:58:47

02:00:47 Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 12:10 A.M.

REP. LARRY JENT, Chairman

MARION MOOD, Secretary

LJ/mm

Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([sth01aad0.PDF](#))